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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF CONNECTICUT, INC.

CGA Government Administration and Elections Committee Public Hearing

Comments provided by: Susan Voris, Election Laws Specialist, League of Women Voters of Connecticut

Support for: HB5022 - AA Increasing Penalties for Voter Intimidation and Interference.

My name is Susan Voris. I am the Election Laws Specialist for the League of Women Voters of Connecticut. As a state-wide organization with over 1,800 members, the League is dedicated to improving the electoral process.

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The League supports **HB5022** to impose stricter penalties for voter suppression, voter intimidation or voter interference. The League also supports stronger measures to protect the use of the absentee ballot from fraud and undue influence.

One person, one vote means something, particularly when elections are won not by landslides, but by mere percentage points. A person's right to vote as he or she wishes must be protected and preserved without undue influence or interference.

The League urges the Committee to support HB5022.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.